

ARLINGTON HALL STATION, BUILDING 301
4000 Arlington Boulevard
Arlington
Arlington County
Virginia

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- Location: Located in the southeast quadrant of Arlington Hall Station on the east side of Fourth Street approximately 150 feet south of Third Street. Arlington Hall Station is located at 4000 Arlington Boulevard, Arlington, Arlington County, Virginia.
- Significance: Constructed in 1942 on the site of Arlington Hall Junior College (1927-1942), Building 301 was part of the initial building campaign initiated by the U.S. Army at Arlington Hall Station. It is associated with the nationally significant development as the headquarters of United States Army intelligence activities during World War II. (For overview of Arlington Hall Station, see HABS No. VA-1270).
- Description: Building 301 is a rectangular, single-story, gable roofed wood building, resting on concrete piers, measuring approximately 120 feet by 20 feet with a 50-foot by 10-foot addition on the north facade at the northeast corner. The building is sheathed in wide painted clapboards with vertical wood corner boards. The addition is constructed of concrete scored to duplicate the appearance of the surrounding clapboards.
- Window openings are rectangular, with double-hung aluminum replacement sash. The south facade includes a concrete wheelchair ramp leading to the central entry and a concrete stoop at an auxiliary entrance. The main block has a gabled roof while a flat roof covers the concrete addition. Interior space centers on a main command center with rooms arranged along a longitudinal corridor.
- History: Building 301 was constructed in 1942. By 1944 it served as a Day room and Post Office. Subsequently the building was converted into the Provost Marshal's Office. It incorporates a concrete weapons room at the northeast corner. Since 1944 the building has undergone repairs and alterations, including the addition of a wheelchair ramp and the replacement of the original sash with aluminum units.
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Original drawings on file at Facility Engineer's Office, Arlington Hall Station, Arlington, Virginia.

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